



# TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS FOREST HEIGHTS NEWS

## **TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS SPECIAL MAYORAL ELECTION 2021**



**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021  
11:00 AM-8:00 PM**

**TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS  
POLLING PLACE  
FOREST HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL  
BUILDING**

**5508 ARAPAHOE DRIVE  
FOREST HEIGHTS, MD 20745**

### **CANDIDATES**

**JONATHON KENNEDY, II  
CYNTHIA MANN  
GEORGE McDERMOTT  
LARRY STONER  
CALVIN WASHINGTON**

**Town Hall Ballot Drop Box open starting  
10/6/21 from**

**8:30am-5:00pm Monday-Friday  
Open 10/13/21 from 8:30am-8:00pm**

**FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM AT 7:30PM  
DAY OF ELECTION**

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# Election Instructions

Dated: 9/27/2021

## **TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS ELECTION 2021 INSTRUCTIONS -- FROM THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

### **Vote by Mail**

To vote by mail you must first fill out and return a Vote by Mail Ballot Application. You can request by phone/mail/email or pick one up from the Clerk's office in the Town Hall. (Any registered Forest Heights voter may apply for an absentee ballot application and vote by mail or use the election drop box).

### **How to Vote by Mail**

After you receive your ballot, carefully read and follow the instructions.

- Mail your voted ballot back to the address indicated on the return envelope or place in drop box that's marked Ballot Box. Sign and Print your name on the back where indicated.
- Returned to the local board by Not later than 8 pm on Election Day.
- All mail from a location within the United States/or outside from the Postal Service must be received by 8 pm on Wednesday, October 13, 2021 (Election Day).  
Double-check the deadlines and be sure to cast your voted ballot on time to be sure it is counted.

### **Late Application for A Vote by Mail Ballot**

Beginning on the Wednesday preceding the election, through the closing of the polls on Election Day, a registered voter or the voter's duly authorized agent may apply in person for a Vote by Mail ballot at the office of the Town Clerk:

### **Use of An Agent**

*A qualified applicant may designate an agent to pick up and deliver the Vote by Mail ballot. The agent:*

- Must be at least 18 years old.
- May not be a candidate on the ballot.
- Must be designated in writing by the voter, under penalty of perjury.  
Must sign an affidavit under penalty of perjury that the ballot was:

Delivered to the voter.

Marked and placed in an envelope by the voter, or with assistance as allow, in the agent's presence; and

Returned to the local board by the agent (Not later than 8 pm on Election Day).

### **Assistance**

*A voter who requires assistance in casting a Vote by Mail ballot by reason of disability, inability to write, or inability to read the ballot may be assisted by any individual with the exception of:*

- A candidate who is on the ballot.
- The voter's employer or an agent of the employer; or  
An officer or agent of the voter's union.

A person assisting a voter in completing a Vote by Mail ballot must execute a certification and include that certification with the completed ballot.

**Contact the Town of Forest Heights Clerk's Office for details on this process at (301) 839-1030.**

# Ordinance 03-21 and Police Report

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS ANNEXATION

(Land of Shachah World Ministries Inc., Located Generally East of the Present Municipal Boundaries of the Town of Forest Heights)

NOTICE is hereby given by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland that on August 2, 2021 Annexation Resolution No. 01-2021 (the "Resolution"), known as the 9th Extension (2019) was introduced and read at a regular/special meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Forest Heights (the "Town Council") proposing and recommending that the boundaries of the Town of Forest Heights be changed so as to annex to and include within the boundaries of the Town all that certain area of land therein identified as:

A PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED AS THE FAITH SUBDIVISION PRESENTLY DESIGNATED AS TAX EXEMPT AND OWNED BY SHACHAH WORLD MINISTRIES INC. (TAX MAP 96, GRID A2 (DIST. 12, ACCOUNT NO. 1233089). FURTHER DESCRIBED BY A PREMISES ADDRESS AS 5701 LIVINGSTON ROAD, ADJOINING AND ABUTTING THREE PUBLIC WAYS INCLUDING LIVINGSTON ROAD, BEING 7.38 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED IN THE 12TH ELECTION DISTRICT (8TH COUNCILMANIC) OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, AND LOCATED EAST OF THE PRESENT CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS BETWEEN THE CURRENT CORPORATE BOUNDARIES AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREA COMMONLY KNOWN AS BIRCHWOOD (THE "ANNEXATION PROPERTY") DEPICTED IN PURPLE ON THE MAP OF EXTENSION 9 REFERENCED HEREIN BELOW.

The Resolution was initiated by the Town Council pursuant to §4-403 of the LG Art., of Md. Ann. Code. NOTICE is further hereby given by the Mayor and Council that it will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on said Resolution and the said annexation therein proposed and recommended on:

**PLACE OF MEETING:** VIRTUAL ZOOM  
**DIAL-IN:** 301-715-8592  
**MEETING ID:** 563484463  
**TIME:** 8:00 P.M.  
**DATE:** WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS  
ORDINANCE NO. 03-21**

**AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE SALARIES OF THE TOWN'S ELECTED OFFICIALS BY AMENDING SECTION 2.2 OF THE TOWN ORDINANCE CODE**

**Introduced by: Mayor Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad.  
Motion Passed September 7, 2021 Vote 5 Yea 0 Nay**

### Forest Heights Police Department Calls for Service September 2021

911 DISCONNECT	22	PROPERTY ALARM	1
ACCIDENT	12	PROPERTY ALARM COMM.	1
ALS COMBINED	1	PROPERTY DAMAGE	4
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	3	RESIDENTIAL ALARM	7
ASSIST FIRE EMS	1	ROBBERY	1
BREAK IN REPORT	1	SCHOOL RESOURCE	2
CHECK WELFARE	6	SIGNAL 100	1
CHECK WELFARE COMB.	2	SIGNAL 100 SERVICE	1
CHECK WELFARE MENTAL	1	SUBJECT STOP	8
CW18	84	SUSPICIOUS AUTO	5
DISORDERLY	19	SUSPICIOUS OCC. AUTO	12
DOMESTIC	6	SUSPICIOUS PERSON	5
FAMILY DISPUTE	4	TAMPERING	1
FRAUD	3	THEFT FROM AUTO	3
GUNSHOTS	1	THEFT JO	1
HIT AND RUN	3	THEFT REPORT	1
LOCK OUT/IN COMBINED	1	THREATS COMPLAINT	3
LOST PROPERTY	1	TRAFFIC COMPLAINT	6
LOUD MUSIC COMPLAINT	6	TRAFFIC HAZARD	1
MISC POLICE INCIDENT	10	TRESSPASSING COMPLAINT	1
MISSING PERSON	3	UNKNOWN TROUBLE	15
NOISE COMPLAINT	1	VANDALISM	2
PARTY COMPLAINT	2	<b>Total Calls Handled</b>	<b>490</b>
PREMISE CHECK	214		

### FOREST HEIGHTS POLICE STATION

Open Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
301-839-4040  
(Emergency) 911 (Non-Emergency)  
(301) 352-1200





## Community News



**DISTRICT COUNCIL**  
**ORAL ARGUMENT HEARING**  
**COUNCIL ELECTED TO MAKE THE FINAL DECISION**  
**ON THE DECISION OF THE ZONING HEARING EXAMINER**

**TO: ALL PERSONS OF RECORD**

**RE: A-10055 National View  
Harbor View Development, LLC, Applicant**

The District Council elected to make the final decision on the above referenced case. Due to the current state of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and the implications of the Council's Emergency Resolutions including, CR-35-2020, the Council is operating under emergency procedures. As authorized by CB-33-2020 the oral argument hearing will be conducted virtually and in accordance with District Council Rules of Procedure. The hearing has been scheduled for:

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021 – 10:00 A.M.**

**VIRTUAL MEETING**

VIEW USING THE LINK PROVIDED AT: <https://pgccouncil.us/LIVE>

Testimony at the hearing will be limited to the facts and evidence contained within the record made at the hearing before the Zoning Hearing Examiner. Argument will be limited to thirty (30) minutes for each side, unless extended by the Chairman of the Council. There will also be a five (5) minute rebuttal for each side.

Requests to speak by Persons of Record will be accepted in electronic format and should be submitted electronically by email to: [clerkofthecouncil@co.pg.md.us](mailto:clerkofthecouncil@co.pg.md.us) or faxed to (301) 952-5178 no later than 3:00 p.m. on October 24, 2021. Any document required to be filed in accordance with oral argument procedures shall be submitted no later than five (5) business days before the scheduled oral argument hearing. Correspondence will not be accepted via U.S. mail. Persons of Record who request to speak will receive an email with information to join the virtual meeting platform. Public access to case information is available on the Council's Legislative/Zoning Information System: <https://pgccouncil.us/LZIS>. Additionally, case information can be requested by email.



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### FOREST HEIGHTS DUMP WEEK- FREE RESIDENTIAL DUMPING

Dump week is available for residents ONLY from October 16-October 23 during business hours at the Municipal Building and from 9AM-1PM on Saturday, October 23. **NO COMMERCIAL DUMPING ALLOWED.** Paint cans must be placed by the side of the dumpster. Those wishing to use the dumpster must show proof of ID inside the Municipal Building before use. Come on out and clean out that clutter!

### NOTICE FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT

We are experiencing some residents cutting their grass and blowing it into the street. This is a violation of Town code 19.1. (A) Littering Prohibited A. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to throw, deposit, or allow to be deposited upon any street, gutter, walkways, Town property or play area, any leaves, grass clippings, yard waste. Improper disposal of litter and debris results in litter or debris flowing or being carried into the storm drainage system. This violation is deemed a municipal infraction upon conviction, and shall be fined not more than \$100 for the first offense. Repeat offenders may be assessed a fine not exceeding \$200 for each repeat offense.



#### Trash yard waste and bulk are being put out too early.

Residents have been putting out trash cans and yard waste or bulk trash two or more days before pickup. This is a violation of Town Code: 11.3.3 Trash Receptacles Placing receptacles and bulky trash. 3. No garbage, trash receptacles or bulky refuse shall be permitted to be placed at curbside prior to sunset on the evening prior to the designated collection day, and the empty receptacles shall be removed prior to sunrise the day following the scheduled collection day. Any person violating the provisions of the Article shall be guilty of an infraction and shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than \$200 for the first offense. Repeat offenders may be assessed a fine not to exceed \$400 for each repeat offense.

### CONCERT IN THE PARK

The Town of Forest Heights held its first Concert in the Park on Saturday, September 11, 2021 at Bell Acre's Park. Guests were treated to food, vendors, and music from the band DBest. We also had the opportunity to host members of the Maryland Health Department, who registered people for COVID-19 vaccines and provided helpful information about where vaccines were available in our community. We had a great turnout and couldn't ask for better weather. We would like to thank the Forest Heights staff, Public Works, Police Department, Jonathon Kennedy II, DBest Live, and Mayor Washington for their hard work and support. We could not have done it without you.



#### NEED A TRASH CAN?

Residents who are in need of a replacement trash can due to damage to your existing can may call the Town Administration or visit the Municipal Building. Call 301-839-1030 if you have any questions or need your can replaced.

#### Mayor Muhammad Service Programs Available

The Town of Forest Heights has a few programs available commemorating the service of Mayor Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad. Those interested in these mementos can stop by the Municipal Building for a copy.

We regret to inform you of the passing of Mr. Eugene Stroman of Quade Street on Wednesday, September 22, 2021. Our hearts are with the family at this time.

Town of Forest Heights Mayor Council and Staff



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### Weatherization Assistance Available: FREE HOME UPGRADES

Apply for weatherization upgrades that can make your home more energy efficient. The new and updated applications are here! Applications can be found at the Forest Heights Municipal Building or emailed on request. Applications can be dropped off at the mailbox at the municipal building. **Veterans and Retired homeowners will be given preference.** For more information, call 301-839-1030. Anyone who meets the income requirements is welcome to apply. Come check it out today!

Number of People Living in House	Owner(s) Only Annual Income Must Be Less than	Number of People Living in House	Owner(s) Only Annual Income Must Be Less than
1	\$57,750.00	2	\$66,000.00
3	\$74,200.00	4	\$82,500.00
5	\$89,100.00	6	\$95,700.00
7	\$102,300.00	8	\$108,900.00

### Happy Hispanic Heritage Month

Hispanic Heritage Month is September 15, 2021 through October 15, 2021, celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America. The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988. We encourage residents to observe and celebrate Hispanic culture this month. Be sure to check out resources such as the Smithsonian Institution's Latino Center, which has a number of remote activities.

### Christmas in April

Are you or someone you know elderly and/or disabled and need repairs done for your home? The non-profit group Christmas in April is now accepting applications for their 2022 program on April 30, 2022. Their mission is to renovate the houses of those in need, such as seniors and the disabled, so that they can continue to live in safety and independence.

The deadline for applications is November 1, 2021. Applications are available online at <http://www.christmasinaprilpg.org/> and in the Municipal Building. Need help getting an application? Call 301-839-1030.

Applications fill out fast, so don't delay. If you have questions you may call them at 301-868-0937. We look forward to helping you with much needed repairs to your home.



### Exercise Group

The Forest Heights Senior Exercise Class meets in the Municipal Building at 5508 Arapahoe Drive on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 noon. It is free for Forest Heights residents, and a great way to stay fit. Stop on by if you want to stay connected and stay active!

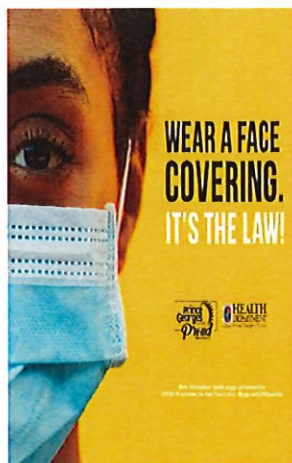
### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATES

As a reminder, the County's indoor public mask mandate remains in effect after the County Council recently passed a resolution extending the mandate. All residents and visitors ages 5 and up are required to wear a mask in all indoor public establishments, regardless of your vaccination status. Based on updated CDC guidance, the Prince George's County Health Department's COVID-19 vaccine clinics will offer booster shots of Pfizer to:

- people 65 or older
- people aged 18-64 years with underlying medical conditions
- people aged 18-64 who work or reside in certain settings (e.g., health care, schools, grocery workers, correctional facilities, homeless shelters) that increases their risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission.

The CDC recommends these groups receive a booster shot at least six months after receiving their second dose of Pfizer. Individuals do not have to show proof of their eligibility to receive a booster shot.


Individuals with weakened immune systems are approved to receive a third dose of Moderna or Pfizer, but federal health officials have yet to approve booster shots for the general public who received the Moderna or Johnson & Johnson vaccines.





# Community Calendars

## October 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	8	9
10	11 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup Columbus Day. Town Hall Closed.	12 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	13 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM Abundant Life Ministries <b>Special Election 11AM-8PM Municipal Building</b>	14 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	15	16 Shredding 9AM-12PM  FHPD Glow Party 7PM-10PM Forest Heights Neighborhood Park
17	18 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	19 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	20 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM Abundant Life Ministries <b>MAYOR/ COUNCIL TOWN MEETING 8pm via ZOOM</b>  DIAL 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 563 484 463 Annexation Hearing 8PM	21 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	22	23 Forest Heights Fall Cleanup 9AM- 12PM
Dump Week 10/17-10/23. 8:30 AM-5:00 PM. No commercial dumping. Must show proof of residency.						
24	25 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup District Council Meeting- National View LLC 10:00 AM	26 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	27 Farmers Market 11AM-4PM Abundant Life Ministries	28 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	29	30 FHPD Trunk or Treat, Safe Harvest  Festival and Haunted House 5PM-10PM
31 Halloween 			Safe Harvest Festival 10/30 5-7pm. Trunk or Treat 10/30 7-8PM. Haunted House 10/30 8-10PM Forest Heights Municipal Building			

Regular Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup on Monday

## November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup <b>MAYOR/ COUNCIL WORKSESSION</b> 7:30 pm DIAL 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 860 083 16885	2 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	3	4 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	5	6
7	8 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	9 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	10	11 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Veterans Day. Town Hall Closed	12	13
14	15 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	16 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	17 <b>MAYOR/ COUNCIL TOWN MEETING 8pm via ZOOM</b> DIAL 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 563 484 463	18 Bulk Trash 3 items or less Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	19	20
21	22 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	23 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM	24	25 Thanksgiving. Town Hall Closed NO BULK PICKUP 	26	27
28	29 Trash, Yard Waste and Recycling Pickup	30 Senior Exercise 12:00 PM				



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Local Forest Heights  
Post Customer

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## Community News *continued*

# TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

### TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS

**1st MONDAYS @ 7:30 PM**

**Dial-In: 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 86008316885**

### TOWN MEETINGS

**3rd WEDNESDAYS @ 8:00 PM**

**Dial-In: 301-715-8592 Meeting ID: 563484463**

As a precaution in response to the Coronavirus outbreak, Town Meetings will be open to the public but will be held by teleconference.

For Public Period, each person will be limited to two (2) minutes for public comments and the Mayor and Council Members will not provide feedback to comments or statements provided from the public.

Please send written questions or comments to the Town Clerk at [Shawkins@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:Shawkins@forestheightsmd.gov). Comments/questions will be submitted to the appropriate individual.

### Forest Heights Farmers Market

Running from July-October

**Every Wednesday 11:00 AM—4:00 P.M.**  
Abundant Life Ministries

5533 Livingston Road, Forest Heights, MD



### TOWN CLOSINGS

The Town will be closed **Monday, October 11, 2021** for Native Americans Day. We will re-open on **Tuesday, October 12, 2021** at 8:30 AM.

**Trash/Recycle Collection is to be placed at the curb the night before collection.**

**PICK-UP DAYS BEGIN AT 6:30 a.m.**

**MONDAY—Trash, Yard Waste & Recycling**



### Forest Heights Residents:

Yard Waste must be placed in paper bags or trash cans marked Yard Waste, paper bags should not be out all weekend especially if it's going to rain.

Tree limbs must be tied together in small bundles  
Not to exceed 4 feet in length.

**THURSDAY—Bulk (Three Items or Less) NO METAL**

### *Calvin Washington, acting mayor (Ward I)*

[cwashington@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:cwashington@forestheightsmd.gov)

**Town Council/Administration**

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**Larry Vaughn, Public Works Director**

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### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**(301) 839-4040**

**Chief of Police, Col. Anthony Rease**

[chief@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:chief@forestheightsmd.gov)

**Senora Thompson Scott, Police Clerk**

[SenoraT@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:SenoraT@forestheightsmd.gov)

**Lisa White, Director of Communications**

[TFH\\_Media@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:TFH_Media@forestheightsmd.gov)

### **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICE**

**Joseph Hawkins, Code Enforcement Officer**

[codeenforcement@forestheightsmd.gov](mailto:codeenforcement@forestheightsmd.gov)

**Information Line (240) 493-6998**

**Non-Emergency (301) 352-1200**

**EMERGENCY DIAL 911**

**[www.forestheightsmd.gov](http://www.forestheightsmd.gov)**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES**

**Phone (301) 839-1030 Fax (301) 839-9236**

**8:30a.m.—5:00 p.m.**

**NOTARY SERVICES-by appointment only**

**8:30a.m-4:00 p.m.**